

*DOVER CODE*

**PLUMBING**

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**[HISTORY: Adopted by the City Council of the City of Dover 12-14-77\*. Section 135-24 amended at time of adoption of Code; see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I. Other amendments noted where applicable.]**

#### **General References**

Building construction - See Ch. 68.

### **ARTICLE I TITLE AND SCOPE**

#### **135-1. Title; enforcement.**

This chapter shall be known as the "BOCA National Plumbing Code, current edition, as adopted by the State of New Hampshire" and annual supplements thereto may be so cited, and will be referred to in this chapter as "this code." The administration and enforcement of this code shall be the duty of the Plumbing Inspector who is hereby authorized to take such action as may be reasonably necessary to enforce the purposes of this code. The position of Plumbing Inspector shall be according to the City of Dover Administrative Code.\*\* [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

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**\*Editor's Note: Provisions of this chapter are derived from Ch. 16 of the former Code, adopted 12-14-77.**

**\*\*Editor's Note: See Ch. 3, Administrative Code.**

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**135-2. Applicability.**

The provisions of this code shall apply to and govern plumbing as defined in this code, including the practice, materials and fixtures used in the installation, maintenance, extension and alteration of all piping, fixtures, appliances and appurtenances in connection with any of the following: sanitary drainage or storm drainage facilities, the venting system and the public or private water supply systems, within or adjacent to any building or other structure or conveyance, also the practice and materials used in the installation, maintenance, extension or alteration of the stormwater or sewage system of any premises to their connection with any point of public disposal or other terminal.

**135-3. Adoption of state provisions.**

The provisions of New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated, Chapter 229, as amended, are hereby adopted by the City of Dover. Where no inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter, the provisions of the State Plumbing Code are accepted as minimum standards. [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

**135-4. Responsibility for facilities adjacent to public streets.**

It is recognized that certain facilities in or adjacent to public streets are referred to in this code only a portion of which is under the ownership or the control of the owner or occupant of the building or premises to which this code applies.

**135-5. Disposition of moneys.**

All moneys collected from the administration of this code shall be paid into the general fund of the City of Dover.

**ARTICLE II  
LICENSING REQUIREMENTS  
Sections 135-6 through 135-13  
[Repealed 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]**

**ARTICLE III  
PLUMBING STANDARDS**

**135-14. Adoption of standards.** [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

A. The BOCA National Plumbing Code, current edition, as adopted by the State of New Hampshire, and annual supplements thereto are hereby adopted, and all installations, repairs, and alterations of plumbing shall, from the effective date of this chapter, be performed in accordance with its provisions.

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### **135-15. Copies to be kept on file.** [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

Three (3) copies of the BOCA National Plumbing Code and annual supplements thereto shall be kept on file by the City Clerk for inspection by and use of the public and shall be marked with the words "City of Dover, New Hampshire Official Copy".

### **135-16. Additional standards.** [Repealed 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

### **135-17. Issuance of permits.**

No plumbing work, except as provided in 135-21, shall be undertaken prior to the issuance of a permit therefor by the Plumbing Inspector. A permit shall be issued only to a licensed master plumber, except as provided in 135-18.

### **135-18. Exception.** [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

Any permit required by this code may be issued to any property owner to do any work regulated by this code, other than work involving the connection with any drain or waste line, in a single family dwelling used exclusively for living purposes, including the usual accessory buildings and quarters in connection with such building, provided that the property owner is the bona fide owner of such dwelling and that the same will be occupied by said owner and that said owner shall personally purchase all material and perform all labor in connection therewith.

### **135-19. Application; fees.**

A. Application for a permit shall be made on suitable forms provided by the Plumbing Inspector. The application shall be accompanied by fees in accordance with the schedule of fees.

B. Fees shall be established by the Building Inspector, upon recommendation by the Plumbing Inspector and after receiving approval from the Planning Department and City Manager. The City of Dover and any legal entity thereof shall be exempt from the payment of said fees. [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

### **135-20. Plans and specifications.**

No permit shall be issued until plans and specifications showing the proposed work in detail have been submitted to and approved by the Plumbing Inspector. If a permit is denied, the applicant may submit revised plans and specifications without payment of additional fee. If, in the course of the work, it is found necessary to make any change from the plans and specifications on which a permit has been issued, amended plans and specifications shall be submitted and a supplementary permit, subject to the same conditions applicable to original application for permit, shall be issued to cover the change. Approved plans and specifications shall be returned to the applicant upon request.

**135-21. Repairs not necessitating a permit.**

Repairs involving only the working parts of a faucet or valve, the clearance of stoppages, repairing of leaks or replacement of defective faucets or valves may be made without a permit, provided that no changes are made in the piping to the fixtures.

**ARTICLE IV  
ADMINISTRATION**

**135-22. Protection of water supply system.**

The Plumbing Inspector shall make such rules and regulations in furtherance of the purposes of this code and not inconsistent with the specific provisions of this code for the installation, repair or alteration of air- conditioning systems, water treatment equipment and water- operated devices as may be deemed necessary to properly protect the water supply system. All water-cooled air conditioners shall recirculate their water through a water reservoir. The water shall not continuously flow into a building sewer but may be connected to same for necessary draining only.

**135-23. Inspections and testing.**

It shall be the duty of the Plumbing Inspector to enforce the provisions of this code and to make the inspections and tests required thereunder. The Plumbing Inspector is hereby authorized to enter, examine and survey, at all reasonable times and, in an emergency at any time, all buildings in the City to inspect the same for compliance with this code. He shall display proper and satisfactory identification prior to any demand for entry. Upon refusal of a property owner and/or tenant to allow inspection of his property, the Plumbing Inspector shall seek a search warrant from proper authorities, if an inspection of said property is required to carry out the provisions of this code.

**135-24. Violations and penalties.\***

Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be punishable by a fine of up to one hundred dollars (\$100.).

Each day of said violation shall be construed as a separate offense. [Amended 09-15-93 by Ord. No. 25-93]

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\*Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code, see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. I.